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THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,185,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.
" 6 ".....4 " "
" 3 ".....3 " "
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1894. [30]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital.....£1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....£500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gilles, Esq. Chow Tung Shing, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
H. Stollerfoht, Esq. Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

BANKERS:—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Paris Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£251,093.15.0

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG, AND SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST.
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHEBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [21]

Amusements.

LIVING CHESS TOURNAMENT.

IN AID OF
UNION CHURCH ORGAN RESTORATION FUND.

Under the Patronage of
H.E. Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON and Lady ROBINSON.

H.E. Major-General DIBBY BARKER and Mrs. BARKER.

Sir FREDERICK CLARKE and Lady CLARKE, Commodore BOYES and Mrs. BOYES.

A LIVING CHESS TOURNAMENT, will be held on the TENNIS LAWN at EAST POINT, (Kindly lent by the Hon. J. J. KIRKWOOD), ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, March 31st.

By courtesy of Lt.-Col. ROBINSON and Officers of the Band of the Shropshire Light Infantry will attend.

Admission 1s., Children half-price.

Tickets may be obtained at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LA. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1894. [318]

Auctions.

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, ON TUESDAY next, March 13th, 1894, AT 2.30 P.M. prompt, AT THEIR SALE ROOMS, 17, PRAYA CENTRAL, (Removed from 1, FAIR VIEW, KOWLOON, for Convenience of Sale).

THE WHOLE OF THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS, Consisting of—

HALL, DRAWING-ROOM, DINING-ROOM & BED-ROOM FURNITURE, SIDE-BOARDS, OVERMANTELS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, DRESSING TABLES, FANCY TABLES, CABINET, EASY CHAIRS, RATTAN CHAIRS, IRON and BRASS MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, MATTRESSES, GLASS and CROCKERY-WARE, CUTLERY, COOKING STOVES and UTENSILS, PICTURES, ORNAMENTS, CLOCKS, BATH-ROOM REQUISITES, &c., &c.

Also for Sale—A quantity of NEW and SECOND-HAND CABINET FURNITURE.

On View from Monday.

SALE TERMS—As customary.

A. E. SKELLS & Co., Auctioneers & Valuers.

Office, 17, Praya Central, Hongkong, 10th March, 1894. [144]

Insurances.

THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application, DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE, Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747]

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1893. [415]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....£1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 24th November, 1893. [180]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333.33
EQUAL TO..... }
RESERVE FUND..... } \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. LO YUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES, to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 19th November, 1893. [974]

Intimations.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that I, who have hitherto been known as ISAAC EZRA OBADAYA, will from to-day adopt and be known under my proper family name of ISAAC EZRA ELLIS.

ISAAC EZRA ELLIS, Hongkong, 9th March, 1894. [338]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

ON and after the 14th instant, until further notice, the WATER SUPPLY will be CUT OFF each day between the hours of 9 P.M. and 5 A.M.

By Command, G. T. M. O'BRIEN, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 8th March, 1894. [325]

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an INTERIM DIVIDEND at the rate of FIVE PER CENT. per Annum, has been DECLARED by the Directors of the above Company on the Underwriting Account for 1893, and will be PAYABLE at SINGAPORE on 2nd April, 1894. The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from 23rd March to 2nd April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors, W. MACBEAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1894. [330]

NOTICE TO TOBACCO PLANTERS AND OTHERS.

THE NEW CENTRAL BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, being Owners of a large quantity of Land in North Borneo, which has been especially selected for PLANTING TOBACCO, SUGAR and COFFEE, are willing to SELL LEASES, free of rent for 999 years, of said Lands in blocks of about 5,000 acres, or they will grant Leases of the same for 21 years in blocks of 1,000 acres.

It is believed that the best Crops and the best prices for same have been obtained for Tobacco grown in the Kinabatangan District, immediately adjoining a large block of this Company's land.

For further particulars, application should be made to the Company's Agents, Messrs. BOUSTEAD & Co., Singapore.

Intimations.

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

Electric Lighting throughout the Premises.

Telegraphic Address—"CENTRAL SHANGHAI"

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY, PROPRIETOR.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

NOW READY, TUESDAY, 6TH MARCH.

PRICE ONE DOLLAR.

DOLLAR AND STERLING

EXCHANGE TABLES

FROM 1s. 9d. TO 1s. 11½d.

FORMING A SUPPLEMENT TO OUR PREVIOUS EXCHANGE TABLES.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1894. [6]

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED

THE ART OF DRAWN WORK.

Practical Engineer's Pocket Diary, 1894.

Our Ocean Railways, Churchill's Men, Mines & Animals, South Africa. An Indian Eye on English Life. Hunting American Big Game. Prince's Arctic Ocean to Yellow Sea. Round the Works of Our Great Railways. The Heavenly Twins. Montezuma's Daughter, by Rider Haggard. Engineering Drawing and Design.

ENGINEERS' ALMANACKS, 1894. Also:—Ainsley's Nautical Almanack, 1894. Cheap Commercial Envelope, \$1.75 & \$2, 1,000. Cheap Stationery for private use. Caw's Stylographic Pens. Besique—Halm—Reversal. Best and Cheap quality "Squeezee" Playing Cards. New Exchange Tables 2/- to 3/6. Chrystopographs for Window Decoration.

W. BREWER, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1894. [40]

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOÛTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communication.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Room, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER, Manager. [129]

Hongkong, 17th November, 1893.

DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East, 68, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1893. [41]

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

SHIPS' STORES.

WINE, SPIRITS, STOUT, ALE, LIQUEURS.

TEACHER'S "HIGHLAND CREAM" WHISKY.

NAPIER JOHNSTON'S HIGHLAND WHISKY.

ADET SEWARD & Co.'s BORDEAUX WINE.

HENRY THOMSON & Co.'s and JAMESON'S IRISH WHISKIES.

COATES' PLYMOUTH GIN.

HOBOKEN DE BIE & Co.'s HOLLANDS.

VERMOUTH, RUM, GINGER WINE, CHERRY BRANDY.

CIGARS and TOBACCO.

LANE CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1894. [50]

Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS, advertised for THURSDAY 8th instant, is POSTPONED until THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at NOON.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED until 17th instant.

By Order of the Board, R. LYALL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1894. [317]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Praya Central, on SATURDAY, 17th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 2nd to 17th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1894. [394]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the COMPANY, Praya Central, on SATURDAY, 17th March, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 2nd to 17th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1894. [395]

BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE following notice has been issued to SHAREHOLDERS and HOLDERS of SHARES whose transfers have not been registered, and who are requested to send same in at once for registration along with application for Scrip in the New Company:—

THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

1, DUNDRELL STREET, Hongkong, 14th February, 1894.

SIR,—At the General Meeting of the BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, in Liquidation, held on the 6th and 22nd days of January, 1894, the following Special Resolutions were duly passed and confirmed respectively:—

1.—That the Liquidator be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to sell and transfer the whole of the Company's business and property to a New Company, to be incorporated with limited liability under the Companies' Ordinances, 1865 to 1891, and to be named the "NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED," with a Capital of \$150,000, divided into 50,000 Shares of \$3 each, with the usual power to increase and reduce the same.

2.—That the draft Contract for sale submitted to this Meeting, and expressed to be made between this Company and its Liquidator of the one part, and the New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited, of the other part, be, and the same is hereby approved, and that the said Liquidator be, and he is hereby authorised, pursuant to Section 149 of the Companies' Ordinance, 1865, to enter into a Contract for the sale and transfer of this Company's business and property to the said new Company (when incorporated) for the considerations and upon the terms set forth in the said draft, and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as he may think expedient.

I have to inform you that, in conformity with the above Special Resolutions and the Agreement to which it refers, "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," has been incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong, with a Capital of \$150,000, divided into 50,000 Ordinary Shares of \$3 each, and that the Agreement (referred to in the second of such Resolutions) has been executed.

Your holding in "The Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," being.....Ordinary Shares and.....Preference Shares you are under the Agreement entitled to, and I hereby offer you, in respect of the said Ordinary Shares, an allotment in "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," of the same number of Ordinary Shares of \$3 each with \$3 credited as paid up on each, and in respect of each of the said Preference Shares an allotment in "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," of two Ordinary Shares of \$3 each with \$3 credited as paid up on each.

In order to obtain an allotment of the shares to which you are entitled, or any smaller amount, you must fill up and sign the enclosed application letter and then forward the same, together with the certificates for the shares held by you in "The Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," to me at my Office, No. 1, Duddell Street, Hongkong, on or before the 14th day of March, 1894, together with a payment of FIFTY CENTS per Share on the number of shares applied for.

If no application as above mentioned is received from you on or before the 14th day of March, 1894, or so far as any application may not extend, you will be deemed to have refused an allotment of Shares in "The New Balmoral Gold Mining Company, Limited," to which you are entitled under the said Special Resolutions and Agreement, and you will be excluded from an allotment accordingly. If any shares are unapplied for by you, it will be my duty under the said Agreement, to endeavour to sell them to such persons and for such price as I may think fit.

Forms of Application can be obtained at the Office of the Company, No. 1, Duddell Street, Hongkong.

CARL GEORG, Liquidator of "THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING CO., LD."

Hongkong, 14th February, 1894. [394]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"FOKION," Captain D. Vis, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 11th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1894. [126]

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"ARGVILL," Captain J. C. Williamson, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1894. [106]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA VALERIA," Captain G. Costanza, will leave for the above places on or about FRIDAY, the 16th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1894. [327]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

THE Steamship

"SPONDILUS," Captain N. Hocken, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 26th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1894. [274]

Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship "MARQUIS BACQUEHEM," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on the 15th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 15th instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1894. [215]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "MOGUL," FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1894. [4]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Intimations.

DR. FENWICK'S FOOD

FOR
NURSING MOTHERS AND INFANTS
ALSO FOR
DYSPEPTICS AND INVALIDS.

It is specially recommended as an article of diet for NURSING MOTHERS as it will strengthen and support them and at the same time enrich the Natural Milk and increase the Supply.

INFANTS FED on this Food put on flesh rapidly.
In two and sixpenny and one and sixpenny bottles at \$1.10 and 70 Cents.

AGENTS IN HONGKONG:

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1894.

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CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

屈臣氏公司

FAMILY AND DISPENSING
CHEMISTS.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS.

ANALYSTS.

PERFUMERS.

PATENT MEDICINE PROPRIETORS AND
VENDORS.

DRUGGISTS' SUNDRYMEN.

CIGAR DEALERS.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
AND
AERATED WATER MAKERS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
香港大藥房
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.
The Shanghai Pharmacy, 24, Nanking
Road, Shanghai.
Botica Inglesa, 14, Escolta, Manila.
The Canton Dispensary, Canton.
The Dispensary, Foochow.
The Hongkong Dispensary, Hankow.
The Hongkong Dispensary, Tientsin.
London Office, 8, Fenchurch Buildings, E.C.
Hongkong, 16th January, 1894.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEW CABINET.

LONDON, March 8th.
Lord Tweedmouth has been appointed to the Privy Seal with a seat in the Cabinet.

PARNELLITES ON THE WAR-PATH.

The Parnellites have issued a manifesto which declares that Mr. Gladstone's resignation was the outcome of a scheme to shelve Home Rule, and that their party has no confidence in the Earl of Rosebery.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE U.S.S. *Lancaster* sailed from Singapore for Colombo on the 28th ult.

THE Agents (Messrs. D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Lightning*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port at noon yesterday.

IN THE MORNING.

The Family Cat (surveying his reflection in the family water bucket)—One ear gone, one eye closed, thirteen gashes, part of the lower jaw missing and nothing left of the whiskers but stumps. What a glorious old time I must have had last night!

THE *Hyogo News* learns that the Yokohama curio-merchants have decided in general meeting to enforce fines against any of their fellows doing business with the boycotted firm of Samuel, Samuel, & Co. of from \$500 to \$10,000. The penalties will be doubled for a second offence. Informers can claim half the amount levied. Watchmen are to be mounted over the Company's premises.

THE P.M.S.S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, on the 8th inst.

THE following notice was posted up on a certain river passenger boat:—"The chairs in the cabin are for the ladies. Gentlemen are requested not to make use of them till the ladies are seated."

THE little rumour from San Francisco is that our little friend Gracie Plaisant is again to embark on the sea of matrimony. The lucky man is ex-Assemblyman Frank Fowler of Livermore.

A REGULAR meeting of Perseverance Lodge, No. 1105, E.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Friday, the 10th inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

HERE is a pleasing extract from W. W. Astor's English newspaper the *Pall Mall Gazette*, of the 23rd Jan:—"There is something remarkable about American women. A man goes half mad until he gets an American wife, and then he gets half the world to get rid of her."

"Jungefrauenzimmerdurchschwindelstodtungsgegenverleihen" and "Constantiopolitanscheredelackpölergezellenherbergmeister" are two combinations from the German. We respectfully suggest that they be utilized as the Hongkong-Labuan section of the new cable route.

It is said that Korean merchants through their Guild have intimated to their Japanese fellows that mutual dealings must in future be conducted on a strictly cash basis, instead of by bills as heretofore. The Japanese have retorted that in such case only Japanese money can be used.

THUS the *Hyogo News*—Chinese emigrants from Japan will probably be stopped in response to a request from the Chinese Government to that end. It is made because the latter fears trouble may arise with the Brazilian Government and there is no treaty at present between them.

THE fall in the exchange value of the rupee has, it is said, almost paralysed the importers' trade in Burma; and some traders have countermanded most of their orders. A few native firms are liquidating, while a few others have closed, refusing the Official Assignee's assistance in settling their affairs by mutual agreement.

DONALD—"How are ye getting on now, Duncan?" Duncan—"No vera weel at a'man!" Donald—"What be the matter, Duncan?" Duncan—"Man, I've twa sweet-hearts, the tane is no vera bonnie, but she has a coo. The tither is a regular beauty but she's naething!" Donald—"Mair than the tane that has the coo, for there's no difference o' a coo's value in only twa women in the land!"

ACCORDING to recent advices, the Russian frigate *Admiral Nachimov*, one of the vessels of the recently-constituted Russian Mediterranean Squadron, has passed the Suez Canal on her way to China and is being followed by the Russian cruiser *Rynda*. The latter is of 3,000 tons displacement, 3,000 indicated horse power, has a crew of 342, carries ten 6 inch, four 4 pound, and nine quickfiring guns, and steams 14 knots an hour.

How history is made. It is said that when King "Billy" of Germany was, only the other week, listening to Miss Frida Scott, a young Danish violinist, he remarked: "If I shut my eyes when you are playing I could fancy it was Sarasate, but I much prefer to keep them open." The absence of the Emperor and the interests of truth were bound to fairly contradict the statement. He would have said it if he could, and most certainly couldn't if he would; moreover, but space is too valuable to-day for problematical reasoning.

EVEN the Sabbath School teacher has her story to tell. I recently advised a girl to exchange, which details the story of a young lady in a Glasgow school who has given long and constant attention to a class of boys, but who has recently asked the superintendent to relieve her of her duties, as the lads were growing too big to be under her control. From investigations made by the superintendent it appears that the boys were growing rude to their teacher, although one or two of the better behaved were exhibiting symptoms of calf love. Perhaps it was the latter alarming affection that induced the young lady to resign. Anyhow, it was a wise move, for the superintendent said it was time to give Sunday School teaching when the boys grew old enough to flirt with her.

M. DE RAOUX, a French artillery captain, has come to the conclusion that, as far as fast walking is concerned, the best method is that which he calls "marche enfilon." The principle is to run without tripping, to raise the body above the ground as little as possible, to keep the feet bent, the upper part of the body inclined forward, so that practically you are always running along after your centre of gravity. The feet must be raised only very slightly. M. de Raoux, who has now some years of experience, says that he can take any man between 20 and 60 and teach him to run as long as his legs can carry him without getting out of breath. Some men can, on the very first trial of the method, run seven or eight miles without stopping, while with the ordinary tactics they could not have run over one mile. The first kilometer (a kilometer is five-eighths of a mile) is usually covered in 7½ minutes, the second in 6 minutes, and the third in 5 minutes and 45 seconds.

THE Queen stood on the royal deck, Whence all but she had fled, Where that hit the thunders wreck Had scraped her crownless head.

Yet beautiful and bright she stood, As born to rule the storm, A creature of peculiar blood, A proud, though squatty form.

The scorp rolled on: she would not go, Without her patron's word, That patron (knocked out, don't you know) Her voice no longer heard.

She called aloud: "Say, Grover, say If yet the throne is mine?" She did not know her patron lay In helpless supine.

"Speak, Grover," once again, she cried, "If all my hope is gone?" And but the Delectate replied, And last the scorp rolled on!

She shouted but once more aloud: "Oh, Grover, can I stay?" While round her passed the conquering crowd—All "fixed" the other way.

They swept the Queen in splendid style, They swept the flag on high, They got the ship both feet, meanwhile, And Freedom was their cry.

There came a burst of thunder sound, The Queen, oh where was she? Ask of the winds, that whiskers found On Blount and Grover C.

With throne and crown and sceptre, too, That long had awayed by night, The Queen and all her vicious crew Were buried out of sight.

—New York Sun

A "Currency Indignation Meeting" was to have been held in Calcutta towards the end of last month.

EXPERIMENTS in the employment of pigeons as messengers at sea have been made by the United States Navy. Of 37 birds sent free 35 arrived safely, after travelling a distance of 130 miles.

THE *Tantalus* was docked at Kowloon this afternoon, while the *Pilot Fish*, which got ashore when going to the assistance of the "Blue Funnel" liner, has been practically given up as a total loss.

THE Mission steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside vessels holding coast pennant C, between 9 and 10.30 a.m., on Sunday, to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.

Theatrical Manager (to applicant):—"What sort of line have you taken?" Applicant:—"I usually play leading parts." Manager:—"Yes—what, for instance?" Applicant:—"When I wasn't taking checks I was leading people to their seats."

IN referring to the proposed new stamp issue, commemorative of the Emperor's Silver Wedding, a Japanese contemporary states that it is intended to issue a new postage stamp for domestic purposes. A wide field of application, surely!

IN consequence of the heavy taxes imposed on Chinese goods in Saigon, together with vexatious regulations, the Chinese in Hongkong have agreed to boycott Saigon completely; and since the Chinese New Year, not a cargo of native goods nor a cargo of business has passed between Hongkong and Saigon.

THE American Israelite says that the Jew is one who is born or supposed to be descended from Jewish parents, while the Israelite is one who worships the one eternal and true God in truth and purity, and keeps himself within the pale of the covenant between God and Israel, by obedience to the laws of that covenant; and conditions as expressed and implied in the Decalogue. Every man being believing and acting thus is an Israelite, according to Moses and the prophets.

BETWEEN the hours of seven and ten on Sunday evening, says the *Chronicle* of the 27th ult., a curious celestial phenomenon was observed in Kobe. The sky to the northward, over the hills, presented for several hours a dull reddish glow, not like the usual aurora borealis, but a steady, bright, and strange fan-like streak of light as in the case of the aurora borealis. It is scarcely probable that the glow was produced by this cause, however, as the aurora borealis is generally held not to be visible below the fiftieth degree of latitude. It would be interesting to know whether the phenomenon was observed at sea as well as on land.

BARON DE HORN entered the *Strait Times* office on the morning of the 2nd inst. accompanied by a guard of six Sikhs. He desired to see the editor, who was, unfortunately, engaged in pondering affairs of state, and unable to be approached. The Baron then informed one of the staff that he had recovered a sword-knot, set with brilliants, which he said had been stolen from the "Mansion" during his temporary absence. The value, assessed by a local jeweller, was discovered to be \$3,000. The sword-knot was discovered in the hands of the Baron's private detective, and Baron de Horn said the reward was payable to-day at the Bank which he named. The Baron de Horn with his body-guard of Sikhs attended the police office next morning where he saw Superintendent Newland. Such is the story told by Pope Arnold himself, but he makes no mention of having hidden himself away in the depths of the W. P. B.—when the late Baron was announced. Baron was born a modest man.

THE lot of the critic, like that of the Gilbertian policeman, is usually anything but a happy one. This we know from experience, but it is consoling to ponder on the fact that the critic generally "gets there" somehow. Read—"The musical and dramatic critic of an Odessa daily paper has lately dealt rather severely with a Russian opera company playing in one of the theatres of that city, criticising more especially the faulty enunciation of M. Lianoff, one of the leading actors. On the conclusion of the first act of a play, the other evening, M. Lianoff advanced to the footlights, and addressing the unfriendly critic, who was seated in the front row of the stalls, in a high tone exclaimed: "So you're the drivelling idiot who said I was unable to enunciate half the syllables in any word I utter! What should you say to my pronunciation in addressing you as a dunderheaded fool!" The critic, rising deliberately and bowing gracefully, replied, "I should say that you were drunk and incapable." A tumultuous scene followed in the course of which the actor was carried off sobbing hysterically. So says the *Telegraph*."

THE popularity of the different varieties of skirt dancing and high kicking has made the question of lights and underclothes important to the women who excel in the latter-day art of dancing. A very clever English dancer and actress discussed the subject with a *New York Sun* reporter recently, and explained quite frankly some of the mysteries of her apparel. "You know," she said, "that in a skirt dance you have to show the leg no higher than the knee, to show the leg no higher than the knee, to convey the idea that there is nothing above but a cloud of lace and ruffles. Of course, that necessitates wearing underclothes constructed on a special plan, and I can assure you that it is not easy for me to procure lights and drawers of the kind that I am accustomed to in England and which are found in all the principal shops in London. American lights, for example, do not have the fine gloss that the English ones do, and as for silk and very fine muslin drawers made with special reference to the requirements of skirt dancing, I have been compelled to have them made expressly to my order. Sometimes when I do not happen to have the proper sort of underclothes, I endeavor to supply their place with what we call 'tacks.' By that I mean simply sewing the front breadth of my underskirt to the back breadth, so that when I lift my leg in dancing the skirt becomes practically a pair of very wide drawers and prevents any immodest display. But I prefer the sort of underclothes that we wear in England, which are made especially for skirt dancing. These are of silk or the finest quality of muslin, and are decorated in the most elaborate manner with embroidery and lace. They are supplied also with very deep and full flounces, each one of which encircles the entire form instead of simply going round the leg, so that if I were to stand before you clothed simply in a pair of drawers of this sort, the flounces, falling over one another with their white to the lower hem, would make the whole look exactly like a short skirt, and you would never believe it, unless you were told exactly what I had on. Now, I always like to dance in the most elaborate manner, because I am perfectly sure that, no matter how high I may kick, there will be no offensive or vulgar display. All this may seem very simple to you, foreigners and Irish-American, but you've no idea how long it took the earlier of the English skirt-dancers to arrive at this simple, but really very proper, mode of dress."

THUS the Rochester Post Express:—"The per capita circulation of money in China is \$1.80. When money talks in China it whistles. OVER eight hundred outbreaks of fire occurred in private houses in the city of Tokyo last year. In 393 cases the premises were wholly destroyed. NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED. The annual general meeting of shareholders in this Company was held at the Bank premises, Queen's Road Central, at noon to-day. Mr. D. Gillies, Chairman of the Bank, presided, and there were also present Messrs. C. P. Chater, Messrs. J. S. Mosses, C. J. Holliday, S. G. Bird (Members of Consulting Committee), J. D. Humphreys, C. A. Ozorio, H. Humphreys, Ho Fook, J. M. E. Machado, W. Pearce, V. H. Deacon, J. M. G. Pereira, B. Byrnmjer, A. G. Stokes, G. C. Cox, P. Jordan, H. F. R. Hunter, R. C. Wilcox, and G. T. Velich (Secretary). The Secretary read the notice calling the meeting. The Chairman said:—"Gentlemen, the report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for several days I will, with your permission, take them as read. It is a matter of regret to the Consulting Committee and the General Managers, as of course, it must be to the shareholders that it is not possible to present at this meeting a better report and account of the past year's operations. Not only is the dividend smaller by \$1.50, but the fall in exchange, which affects every business has obliged us to trench upon the Reserve Fund to the extent of \$40,000 in order to make our remittances to London to meet losses incurred in the United Kingdom. You will perceive that, but for the collapse in the value of the dollar, the aspect of the account would be less unsatisfactory than it now appears. Fortunately the Reserve Fund can well bear this call upon it, and still remain at the substantial figure of one million dollars. As you are aware the Company has for some years been underwriting in the United Kingdom. In spite, however, of the greatest care exercised in the selection of risks it has not proved a success, and although I think that at the present time prospects in that quarter are more encouraging than they have been of late, and an extensive and valuable collection has been acquired, yet as the representations made by shareholders are so strongly in favour of confining our business to the East, the Consulting Committee and General Managers have decided to give effect to their wishes and I may state negotiations are now pending for the transfer of our business in Great Britain to another Company as speedily as the interests of this Company will admit of the change. Our losses in 1893 considerably exceeded those during 1892, and this cannot be ascribed to any specially heavy loss at any one place but to the fact that nearly all our agencies losses in excess of the average of previous years have been sustained, although in Hongkong we have not suffered so much as usual, notwithstanding that fire were more numerous than for some time previous. We have contracted our field of operations in many directions. In Australia we ceased to underwrite in April last, in Bombay, also, we decline business, and the greater effort will be made to make the future results of our operations more profitable. By these changes, commissions and charges, which are heavy, will be reduced considerably. The large sum of \$246,540 appearing on the debit side of the account under the heading of 'accounts payable' you may like me to explain. It is made up of losses, return premiums, charges, commissions, agency balances, &c. outstanding on the 31st December, 1893, \$197,573 of this sum represents the amount standing in our books at the debit of the London account taken at 2½, the rate at which the account was adjusted. It does not occur to me that there are any other points to which I can allude, and I will conclude these remarks by expressing a hope that in spite of the extremely low rates of premium now ruling we may experience a fair measure of prosperity whilst working on the conservative lines on which we have decided to continue to conduct the operations of this Company. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions any shareholder may wish to address to me. No questions were asked, and the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. J. D. 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Mr. Stokes moved and Mr. Byrnmjer seconded the re-election of the auditors, Messrs. F. Henderson and A. Coxon. Agreed. The Chairman:—"Gentlemen, that concludes the business of this meeting. The dividend warrants will be ready on Monday. I beg to express my thanks for your attendance."

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

The annual meeting of shareholders in this Company was held in the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. (General Managers) to-day. The Hon. J. J. Kewley, president, and there were also present the Hon. C. P. Chater, Messrs. J. S. Mosses, C. J. Holliday, S. G. Bird (Members of Consulting Committee), J. D. Humphreys, C. A. Ozorio, H. Humphreys, Ho Fook, J. M. E. Machado, W. Pearce, V. H. Deacon, J. M. G. Pereira, B. Byrnmjer, A. G. Stokes, G. C. Cox, P. Jordan, H. F. R. Hunter, R. C. Wilcox, and G. T. Velich (Secretary). The Secretary read the notice calling the meeting.

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PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT THE BELLIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL. There was a large gathering of children, friends, relatives and persons interested in the Bellios Public School this afternoon, on the occasion of the distribution of prizes won by successful competitors at the December examinations. The children performed a number of evolutions and exercises in physical drill and "sompers" signalling with flags, after which they went through a singing programme of songs and recitations in a very praiseworthy manner. PROGRAMME. Physical Drill by the whole School. Recitation, "Baby's Sticking," Fred Coleman. Song, "Children's Voices," School. Recitation, "The Spider and the Fly," Annie Parker, Ella and Lily King. Song, "Tommy and the Apples," School. Recitation, "Taming of the Shrew," Kate Florence Kelson, J. Pritchard, Kate Ruckwardt, Grunwald, Lillie Turner, Hortensia, Rafaela Bana, Toller, Ethel Long, Helen Dasher, May Hunter. Recitation, "The Fox and the Grapes," School. Recitation, "Grandmother," Hilda Ruckwardt. Song, "Past Night's Sleep," School. REMARKABLE MESSAGES. "Success to the Bellios Public School." "God save the Queen." "Long life and happiness to the Governor and his family." "Best wishes to the Head Mistress, Mrs. Bateman." "Success to Queen's College." "A hearty welcome to all."

In presenting the prizes, Mrs. Bateman warmly thanked the donors, and said that "Prize Day" was the day in all the year to which children, teachers, and their friends looked forward. The prizes had been awarded on the basis of the marks given by the Government Inspector in the annual examinations. After the programme was finished an account was made to the room in which the prizes were given, and the prizes were distributed. The prizes were particularly admired, as indeed was all the work of the school children.

THE LONDON LYRIC COMPANY AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

It is a far cry from broad, farcical comedy to melodrama, and when the London Lyrics elected to put on "Poor Jo" they undertook what in vulgar, albeit expressive, vernacular is known as a large order—and if the truth must be told they hardly fulfilled the terms of the contract. Hitherto, success has succeeded success with such an almost wearying monotony, that doubtless the Napoleon-like directing genius of the troupe never gave the probability of failure a thought. However, Napoleon had too blind a faith in his star—and made a mistake, so menial mortals may well be forgiven if they too are made to share his fate. This is only a kindly-meant but round-about way of saying that the dramatized version of Charles Dickens' immortal novel "Bleak House," given by the Lyrics last evening, was one peculiarly their own; at least, it did not in any way, that we could detect, follow the lines of the novel or other performances of "Poor Jo" that we have seen. It must be admitted though, that it would be grossly unfair to be capriciously critical under the circumstances; the company has been playing in broad comedy night after night for more than a week past, and to expect that the individual members, brilliantly talented as many of them are, could jump into such a gulf of melodrama as outlines the sum and substance of "Poor Jo," would be childish and nonsensical. But at the same time the performance was placarded with that ill-sounding word Failure from beginning to end, and the actor upon whose shoulders most of the responsibility lies are those of Mr. Henry Kite, whose *Chadband* was one of the most stuporously conceived characters from an actor of such reputation ever seen on any stage. His idea of the hypocritical, neatly-mouthed graveneyed scoundrel was apparently that of a burly book-maker, grown hoarse yelling the odds and who for a rest had donned the sombre gear of the cleric. Had he only worn the field-glass, the burlesque would have been about complete. Mr. Kite is a good actor, but the sooner he realizes that he is playing in a town where tomorrow is not tolerated, the better it will be for Mr. Kite—and the Company generally. Space will not permit of a thorough analysis of the entire cast, but it is due to those members of the troupe who worked so hard, and by whose efforts the play was carried with a semblance of evenness to a close, that they should be recognized. Mr. Thomas Verne's *Tullingham* was a constant and well sustained piece of acting, and of the male characters he was the only one correctly dressed—an item of more consequence than the average actor is prepared to admit. Mr. J. H. Nunn as *Inspector Bucket* was a letter-perfect lines, but it is questionable if the original *Bucket* wasted the amount, the unnecessary amount, of lung-power that Mr. Nunn did last night. Perfect diction and conscientious acting, however, never fail to secure recognition. Mr. D. C. Smith's *Snagsby* was not all that the proved talents and attainments of this clever actor justified the audience in expecting, but he did as well as even critical judgment could have required of him under the circumstances. Mr. George Mallett as *William Guppy*, by his recitation of the house, exhibiting "his" for "his" worked itself up to the highest realm of enthusiastic appreciation) negotiated his small part with credit, as also did Mr. Fulton Miller in the part of *Krook*, the landlady. Miss Stella Leigh made the most of the part of *Lady Dedlock*, which, at the best, is little more than a series of groans, mewlings and salt tears. She dressed well and looked well, but occasionally lost an opportunity, though in truth this was not so much any fault of hers as of the character surrounding her. Miss Marie Brain was a typical street Arab in appearance but, loath though we are to say we were disappointed with her "Jo." Only those sitting in the front stalls could hear her voice at all, most probably owing to illness caused by overwork. An elephant can stand a certain amount of work and no more. Miss Brian seems to sadly need rest. Mrs. Brian as the virginal French maid *Hortensia* acted admirably, if perhaps a trifle too "robust" in certain scenes. The *Essex Sumner* of Miss Gregor was a pretty figure, and she was there of the other supernumeraries, while of *Mrs. Snagsby*, Mrs. Nunn, and *Miss Verne*, the place was well staged, and had the prompter not been so prominent and more care been taken by one or two of the principals, the performance would have been a greater success. The show was brought to a close by the usual *Chatterbox* of Misses Triggs and Tassell, and a couple of comic songs, sung in inimitable style, by Mr. D. C. Smith. These latter never fail to send the audience home in good humor. "Charley's Aunt," the success of successes, at 9 to-night.

SUB ROSA.

A woman who follows another woman's advice never catches up with it. Here is an advertisement we came across recently in a sporting journal which proves its ability to keep fit in these deceptive times. "For sale, a Brown, bay, double pony, well broken to carry a lady and several other horses. Surely this double pony must have a cross of the elephant in him. Among other new antics, the *Society of Amateurs* is studying how to use her eyes to the best advantage. Disreputable teachers are instructing their pupils to smile, pout or cry with equal grace and effect. We are indebted to the *Sydney Bulletin* for the following:—"One of the Government officers received this letter a few days ago about the Queen's bounty for triplets:—"Dear Sir, I expect triplets about next Thursday, please send on the subsidy." Let us hope the writer got both. Mrs. Madge Kendall's non-professional name is Grimston. Her grandfather, father and uncle were all English actors. Her brother is T. W. Robertson the play-wright. Few women know how to laugh. At the average evening affair, one would think from the various styles of laughing that she were sent with a messenger and not a drawing-room. Ellen Terry has the regal art of laughing down from, of her appalling mauling laugh, one might say with the poet:—"And with the lightning of her mauling laugh she strikes the lightning of her mauling laugh."

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.	
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 93 per cent. prem., sellers.	
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8.00 paid up, 93½, sellers.	
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders shares, nominal.	
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—nominal.	
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders shares, nominal.	
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1883 B—2½ per cent. premium, sellers.	
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2½ per cent. premium, buyers.	
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1885 E—14 per cent. premium.	
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$100 per share, sales and buyers.	
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$57½ per share, sales and buyers.	
North China Insurance—Tia. 165 per share, buyers.	
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$134 per share, sellers.	
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$67, buyers.	
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tia. 15 per share.	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$205 per share, sales and sellers.	
China Fire Insurance Company—\$79 per share, sales and sellers.	
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$77 per share, sales and buyers.	
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$55 sales and buyers.	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—45 per cent. discount, sales and buyers.	
Douglas Steamship Company—\$43, sellers.	
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—77 per cent. premium, sales and sellers.	
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$23 per share, sales and buyers.	
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$8 per share, sales.	
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$22.	
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.	
The Shamen Hotel Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.	
Punjom Mining Co.—\$7 per share, sales and sellers.	
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$42 per share, sales and buyers.	
The Belmont Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1.60 per share, sellers.	
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$80 per share, sales and sellers.	
The Jebleb Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$6.40, sales and buyers.	
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$18 per share, sales and buyers.	
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$180 per share, sales and buyers.	
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$37½ sales and buyers.	
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$9½, sales and sellers.	
Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., Limited—\$1 per share, sales and buyers.	
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and sellers.	
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$8 per share, sales and sellers.	
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$52, sales and sellers.	
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$18 per share, buyers.	
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$9 per share, sales and sellers.	
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$32 per share, sales and sellers.	
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$68½ per share, buyers.	
Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, buyers.	
Hongkong Ice Company—\$79 per share, buyers.	
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$65 per share, sellers.	
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sales and buyers.	
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$7½, sales and buyers.	
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$44, sales and buyers.	
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$25 per share, nominal.	
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$62½, sales and buyers.	

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Mr. J. de Rezo Barros.	Mr. W. Oothout.
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Mr. H. Burton.	Miss Emily Oothout.
Miss Chamney.	Miss Helen Oothout.
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Mr. F. B. Deacon.	Miss Orr.
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Mr. W. A. Duff.	Mr. W. Parfitt.
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Mr. G. F. Fowle.	Miss von der Pfordten.
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Mr. and Mrs. H. Kitts.	Mr. L. E. Thomson.
Baron and Baroness de Ladeb.	Mr. W. S. Thompson.
Mr. R. L. Lall.	Mr. L. W. Uimann.
Mr. & Mrs. Williams.	Mr. A. W. Walker.
Dr. J. R. Moss.	Mr. W. Whitley.
Mr. T. Mitchell.	Mr. E. Widner.
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Mr. T. Murray.	

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Capt. and Mrs. Hunt.	Mr. R. E. Shaw.
Mr. MacLean.	Mr. A. Findlay-Smith.
Mr. MacLennan.	Mr. Stokes.
Capt. and Mrs. Moore.	Capt. & Mrs. Welman.
Mr. J. Chaudet.	

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. Falconer & Co.'s Register.)	
To-day.	
Barometer—5 a.m.	29.95
Barometer—1 p.m.	30.00
Thermometer—5 a.m.	64
Thermometer—1 p.m.	74
Thermometer—5 p.m.	74
Thermometer—8 p.m.	74
Thermometer—11 p.m.	74
Thermometer—1 a.m.	74
Thermometer—4 a.m.	74
Thermometer—7 a.m.	74
Thermometer—10 a.m.	74
Thermometer—1 p.m.	74
Thermometer—4 p.m.	74
Thermometer—7 p.m.	74
Thermometer—10 p.m.	74
Thermometer—1 a.m.	74
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